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Mr. Darius Smith, druggist, 310 Mulberry
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SUBURBAN NEWS.

happenings of interest in our
neighbor towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

Literary Club Meeting.

The regular tri-weekly meeting of the
Young Men's Literary and Debating club
will be held at the Congregational house at
7:30 o'clock this evening. The question
to be debated will concern municipal con-
trol of the electric light and street rail-
way system. The disputants are Max E.
Meyers, Charles H. Haworth, Arthur W.
Smith and Orrin Martin. Charles H.
Towner is the orator and Archie Sands
critic.

These Horses Had a Strong Pull.

At noon yesterday a teamster was driv-
ing down Center street with a load of
wood for the Follett kilns and just south
of the bridge started his horses on a
run to give them a good start that they
might clear the railroad track where there
is no snow. When the heavily loaded
sleigh struck this bare spot the strength
of the horses proved far too great for their
endurance and something had to give. It
happened to be the corner of the sleigh,
and when this attachment broke the ani-
mals went off speedily pulling the driver
off his load. He let go of the reins, and
his team, probably out of curiosity to see
the new Forest park, turned off Park
street up the road to this pleasure resort
and were found there a little later. The
load of cord wood remained in the road on
park street a large portion of the after-
noon.

Supt. Beckwith's Lecture.

Supt. Walter P. Beckwith's lecture on
Abraham Lincoln at the opera house
Tuesday evening was a treat. The attend-
ance was small. Supt. Beckwith is a
very clever lecturer and those who were
in attendance Tuesday evening heard an
excellent discourse eloquently delivered. It
is unfortunate that the audience was so
small.

The St. Jean Baptiste Fair.

The committee arranging for the St.
Jean Baptiste society's fair has set the
date for opening and are now completing
all details to be in readiness for it. The
affair will begin on Friday evening, April
17, and will be continued throughout the
following week. Season tickets are now
on sale.

H. J. Bishop of Balden, Seely & Bishop,
who are to erect the Berkshire company's
handsome new office building and store
house, is in town and will engage an office.
Work will be started as soon as the frost
is out of the ground and will be pushed
rapidly. D. D. Johnson, the Holyoke
lumber man, was in town Tuesday making
business arrangements with Mr. Bishop.
St. Paul's Universalist church will hold
its annual meeting this evening.

The Hibernians will hold their regular
monthly meeting at noon Sunday.

George Simmons is out of town and
Martin Dwyer is attending to his duties as
baggage master at the Boston & Albany
depot.

Charles R. Harrington led the meeting
of the Christian Endeavor society at the
Congregational house Tuesday evening on
the theme "Diligent in Business."

There was a rehearsal of the Easter
music at Zionite chapel Tuesday evening.

Miss Margaret Broderick will open her
millinery store on Park street Saturday
morning.

Thomas Cassidy, formerly of this town,
has been made a regular member of the
New York city police force.

Charles Hawkins went to New York
Tuesday on business.

Emil Kipper, of New York, was in town
this week.

The local democrats will nominate can-
didates for town officers at the opera house
at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

The annual report of the Adams Fire
district was issued from the Freeman of-
fice today.

The firm's banquet committee meet-
ing was postponed Tuesday evening and
on Thursday evening the committee will
meet in conjunction with the prudential
committee and the engineers of the fire
department at the hotel house.

Miss Mabel Fairfield is at home from
Smith college.

Robert Guettler was naturalized this
morning.

Thursday evening Lawyer Belange of
Cahoon will lecture on "Naturalization"
to local Frenchmen, at St. Jean Baptiste
hall. The Franco-American club of
North Adams will attend, coming on
special electric cars.

The young women who took part in the
living studies at the recent St. Charles
church concert have had their pictures
taken in several poses by Photographer
Parsons.

W. Caldwell Plunkett of Exeter is at
home to spend the Easter vacation.

About a dozen members of the local
lodge of Odd Fellows visited Onece lodge
of North Adams Tuesday evening.

The registrars of voters met this after-
noon from one until five o'clock and will
be in session from seven to nine this even-
ing.

Two Adams men driving from North
Adams met with an accident just this
side of North Adams and broke their
sleigh.

CHESHIRE.

Cheese Company's Affairs.

The adjourned Leland Cheese company
meeting held last evening was again ad-
journed two weeks to further settle the
assessment matter and arrange for the
coming season's business. The report of
the past year's business was accepted and
the old board of officers were chosen. The
patrons not being stockholders, excepting
in part, was a sufficient cause for feeling
that it is only the patrons who were re-
ceiving any benefit from the operation of
this piece of depreciated property, not
valuable to share holders when there was
to be assessments made as has been the
past three years. There has been a
past year dividend, but the making of but-
ter and the market outside for milk has
reduced this business. Some of the stock
holders suggested that those patrons who
wanted to make, take the worker and run
it. These matters will probably be settled
at the next meeting April 7.

Miss Maud Tilton of Dalton was guest
of Miss Velma Viner yesterday.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

Mrs. W. L. Crozier has been appointed
special aid on the staff of Mrs. Helen Brig-
ham, president of the W. R. C. of the State
of Massachusetts.

The engagement of Miss Frances Jerome
to Phineas Prouty of Rochester, N. Y., is
announced.

George E. Moore of Bennington, Vt.,
was visiting relatives Tuesday.

A birthday party will be held this Wed-
nesday evening at the Methodist church.
Persons will bring sums amounting to their
number of years. It is for the King's
Daughters.

Ozro Carpenter, the manager of Col. A.
L. Hopkins farms, will leave the employ
of Mr. Hopkins April 1. Mr. Crandall,
once the superintendent of Charles Bulk-
ley Hubbell's farms, will take Mr. Car-
penter's place.

Mr. Miller will leave one of Col. A. L.
Hopkins farms April 1.

Murphy Brothers have taken the job of
interior decoration of Mrs. Joseph White's
house.

H. W. Hann of Catskill, N. Y., has ac-
cepted the clerkship at hotel Williams
and has begun his duties there.

D. W. and F. Z. Howell, sign advertis-
ers, are at Hotel Williams. They are erect-
ing a huge wooden sign board in the vi-
cinity of Lindley Brothers mill. Space is
being taken by our merchants for ad-
vertisements.

A very thankful prayer meeting relative
to temperance was held Tuesday
evening at the Congregational church. Dr.
Bascom spoke very hopefully and hap-
pily and said the rest of western Mas-
sachusetts must now fall into the no li-
cense column to redeem this section.

College term closes March 23.

Fred M. Preston has resigned, and will
leave B. H. Sherman's store this week
Friday. He is intending to go to Boston to
visit relatives, and will probably engage
in work there.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will especially aim
to give a pleasing entertainment at the
Congregational church lecture room Fri-
day evening at 7:30.

The concert and ball to be given under
the auspices of E. P. Hopkins' post, 229
G. A. R., is for the benefit of the relief
fund of the post. During the past winter
the post has expended a large sum of
money to assist needy and worthy com-
rades. The object is a worthy one and
those receiving invitations undoubtedly will
respond and in that way assist the
old veterans in their work of love. Dele-
gations are expected from all the posts in
Berkshire county. A special car will
leave for North Adams at about 11:30 on
Tuesday evening and another at the close of
the ball for the benefit of guests from Black-
inton, North Adams and way stations.
The public is invited to the concert. Ad-
mission to the gallery 25 cents.

A. R. Smith, successor to B. F. Mather.
Specialties: Kennedy's crackers, the best
cereals, canned goods of every description,
cocoas, teas, coffee and spices, salad oils,
olives, pickles, Currier's blue label catsup.
Only the finest goods sold. Main street,
Williamstown.

Charles B. Fowler, commencing Mon-
day, March 9, will have for sale at his
bakery at the rear of Ruetter's block, one
carload of Ceresota flour. A bargain.
Come and look at this flour.

BLACKINTON.

Preparation for a Field Day.

The Father Matthew society of Black-
inton are at work arranging for the
county Field-Day of Temperance societies
to be held in Blackinton on July 4. The
committee of arrangements are as follows:
James W. Magrath, general manager;
William Fallon, chairman; James F. Ma-
honey, secretary; Joseph Mahone, S. P.
Galvin, Patrick J. Mahoney, William
Gaury, Michael H. O'Brien, John H. Ma-
honey, Michael J. Fleming, Theodore
Hall and Patrick O'Brien managing com-
mittee. Besides the above committee,
sub-committees have been appointed on
attractions, music, athletics, diners,
printing and advertising, refresh-
ments and invitations. The sports will
consist of running, jumping, potato race,
pole vault, putting the shot, hurdle race,
base ball game, tug-of-war and prize
drilling. A strong list of attractions will
also be offered.

With good weather there will no doubt
be the largest crowd ever seen in Black-
inton as societies are expected from Hoosic
Falls, Bennington, North Adams, Green-
field, Adams, Pittsfield, Dalton, Hinsdale,
Lee, Great Barrington, with bands and
drum corps. Blackinton has a fine park
and everything will be done by the local
society to give their friends a grand re-
ception.

P. H. Monahan returned home to Hoosic
Falls, N. Y., yesterday after visiting
friends in town.

Edward Muldowney is home from Provi-
dence R. L. owing to the dullness in the
wooden business, many of the mills in that
city being on short time.

W. A. Hopkins of this town, will speak
at school hall Wednesday evening on his
travels in Alaska. This is one of the peo-
ple's course of lectures, and the O. A. O.
club will sing. Mr. Hopkins is a very en-
tertaining speaker and the subject is a
good one.

A large number of Blackinton people
attended the play of "The Old Homestead"
at North Adams. The 733 car carried
seventy-six passengers to North Adams.
Owing to a little bad luck the electric
road was short of cars and were unable to
give the people the usual good service.

Blackinton voters regret that they are
not represented on the Williamstown
board of selectmen, but such is the for-
tune of politics. Our candidate, S. H.
Phelps, was defeated, but we did our best
and will have to feel satisfied. In the
matter of appropriations we were treated
very liberally. A good sum was allowed
to repair River street, \$100 was given for
the cemetery, \$50 for the library, and \$100
for night school next winter. All the
above appropriations were very much
needed and, no doubt, will be judiciously
expended.

John P. Blackinton and wife are enjoy-
ing a few days in Boston.

Miss Mamie Flemming a recent gradu-
ate from the Bliss Business college, has
accepted a position as stenographer with
the Republican State committee, Boston.

Owing to the illness of her mother,
Miss Anna Carpenter is compelled to give
up her position as teacher for the remain-
der of this term. Mrs. H. W. Thomas
will finish the term as teacher in room 3.

A large audience should greet W. A.
Hopkins this evening when he will speak
on his travels in Alaska. Mr. Hopkins is
a very entertaining speaker and no doubt
his lecture will be well worth hearing.

The Ladies Temperance Aid society are
busy preparing for their Easter sale.
Enough orders have already been received
to assure the success of the sale. The
young ladies have some very valuable and
useful articles to offer beside those ordered.

DINING IN OTHER DAYS.

The Hours of Meals and the Use Made of
the Fingers.

Mr. D'Arcy Power, lecturing at the
London Institution on "The Meals of Our
Ancestors," said the old English had
three meals a day, of which the chief meal
was taken when the work of the day was
finished. The first meal was at 9 o'clock
was about 8 o'clock, and supper was taken
just before bedtime. The Normans dined
at the old English breakfast time or a lit-
tle later and supped at 7 p. m. In Tudor
times the higher classes dined at 11 and
supped at 5, but the merchant classes
took their meals before 12 and 6 o'clock.

The chief meals, dinner and supper, were
taken in the hall both by the old English
and the Normans, for the parlor did not
come into use until the reign of Elizabeth.

Breakfast did not become a regular
meal until quite late in the 16th century.
In the Oxford Dictionary, given 1483 as
the date of the earliest quotation in which
the word occurred. The meal did not be-
come recognized until late in the seven-
teenth century, for Pepys habitually took
his draft of half a pint of Rhenish wine
or a dram, at six o'clock in the place of a
morning meal. Dinner was always the
great meal of the day, and from the ac-
cession of Henry IV to the death of Queen
Elizabeth the dinners were as sumptuous
and extravagant as any of those now
served.

Careful was then a fine art. Each guest
brought his own knife and spoon, and the
small fork was not introduced into Eng-
land until Thomas Coryate of Odecombe
published his "Cruicities" in 1611. Pepys
took his spoon and fork with him to the
lord mayor's feast in 1693. The absence
of forks led to much stress being laid upon
the use of wiping the hands by the hand
and after meals and to the rule that the
left hand alone should be dipped into the
common dish, the right hand being occu-
pied with the knife.

The perfect dinner at the best time of
English cookery consisted of three courses,
each complete in itself, and terminated by
a savoury or dessert, the whole being
rounded off with Yuccas, after which the
guests retired into another room, where
pastry, sweetmeats and fruit were served
with the choicer wines. The English were
essentially meat eaters, and it was not un-
til the time of the commonwealth that
pudding attained its extraordinary popu-
larity. Indeed the custom of putting
in the menus of the "Buckfast" at
St. Bartholomew's hospital did not occur
until 1710, and in 1718 is an item of 5
shillings for ice.—London Times.

Discovery of the Culture Method.

While studying the disease known as
fowl cholera, a bacteriologist recently dis-
covered the particular organism as-
sociated with this malady, he was one day
unable to obtain a recent or vigorous cul-
ture of this microbe, and, wishing to
communicate the disease to another fowl,
he took "faute de mieux," a culture
which was old and exhausted. But the
fowl inoculated with this exhausted growth
of the microbe, instead of dying, survived
the injection, and, moreover, appeared
from this time onward to be possessed of
some strange and inexplicable charm
which rendered it proof against all infec-
tion from this disease, for it was able to
resist subsequent inoculations with the
most virulent and active fowl cholera mi-
crobes. Pasture, convinced that this was
no accident, but that he was here face to
face with a great and important problem,
which, if he could only unravel, might be-
come of immense utility, repeated this
experiment under numerous different
conditions, with the result, more or
less well known to all, that in his hands
the microbe which hitherto had only proved a
malignant foe was constrained to become
the beneficent protector of the animal
into which it was inoculated.

"The study of attenuated viruses and
vaccines was now vigorously pursued, but
the scientific world for the most part
so unprepared was the scientific world for
this great step that even Robert Koch, at
the international medical congress in Lon-
don, 1881, Pasture brought forth his bril-
liant discovery, "Es ist zu gut um wahr
zu sein!"—Longman's Magazine.

As Seen by Others.

The American of popular conception is
a ruthless competitor, who, in his deter-
mination to win, is often indifferent to
the rules of the game. All the nations of
the old world and all classes in them, ac-
cording to their degree of intelligence,
share this view. Their typical Yankee is
a pushing fellow, ever knocking at the
door of the local holy of holies and bound
to come in at last. Nothing is sacred to
him, as nothing French is sacred to a snop-
per. He finds his way into the choicest
clubs, convalescent homes, and the most
exclusive of the Englishman abroad—only
more so. He wants to enter the mosque
without taking off his boots. Exasperation is
heightened by the fact that he often does
enter it and that generally he contrives
to make himself very much at home in
places which most of the natives never
dare approach. The man, in the street, is
of that unprincipled majority. The Amer-
ican seems to him omnipresent at the dis-
tribution of the pleasant things of life.
Remember that the grievance of a Mail-
borough wedding affects both halves of
the race. If you lose your heiress, we gain
but an useless and a doubtful son. It is
"the Americans" once more.—Richard
Whitling of London Daily News in Scrib-
ner's.

English Red Tape.

It may be suggested that checking be-
yond a certain point entails the very incon-
veniences it is intended to prevent. Through
a rather flagrant error of the war office I
was once paid staff pay twice over. With
the heavy heart which sometimes accom-
panies even actions of elementary honesty I
wrote to the officer concerned and unex-
pectedly honored by their perfection of check-
ing, pointing out the necessity that I
should refund. The enlists purged them-
selves of their offense by sending me, who
had rectified it, an illegible rebate to the
effect that the error of overpayment
would be of this occasion, but I
must not do so again.—Blackwood's.

His New Method.

"George," she said, as she looked up
from her paper, "you were always telling
two before marriage how much you loved
me."

"Yes."

"And now you never mention it."

"No."

"Is it because—because—"

"It's because I'm down in the cash-
book now instead of telling you."—De-
troit Free Press.

The first hammer was a stone used by a
monkey to crack nuts. Darwin, in his
story of the crabs of the Challenger, tells
of a monkey on board that was always
used a stone for this purpose, afterward
conceiving its implement in the straw of
its cage.

Nothing In It.

"My good fellow," said the duke to the
hatter, "how's trade?"

"There's really nothing in hats nowa-
days," replied the hatter, trying one on
the head of the duke.—Yonkers States-
man.

Georgetown.

A correspondent of the Boston Trans-
cript thus describes Georgetown, British
Guiana: "In the hotels are managers and
messieurs drinking 'swizzles' and playing
billiards. The elegant culture of every-
thing and every one seems languid and
half asleep; a sign of a struggle for ex-
istence. They live on nothing, and for
nothing in particular. Business is good,
it is said, but there are no signs of it.
Clothing is inexpensive and they wear
little. The heat is terrific, and they drink
'swizzles' and smoke. Backward and for-
ward plies the ferryboat from the east to
the west coast of the stony Deterrera.
Ships of every kind sleep beside the docks.
In the distance loom the smoking chim-
neys of the sugar plantations.

"Peace and plenty" is written on all.
The blue shadows sleep on the steels,
and the buccaners sleep in them, lulled by
the buzz of the droning beetle in the
leaves above them. It is the hour of the
midday siesta. Toward evening the re-
tail is alive with people—a strong elixir
of massive stone against which the sea beats
in vain, seeing up huge bursts of foam
to stardle you two lovers from their reverie
as hand in hand, in Guianese style, they
languidly promenade in the rays of the
setting sun."

Phonetic Initials.

The difficulty that some colored people
have with words and letters, when they
have learned to read after coming to na-
ture years, is illustrated in a story told by
a teacher of a colored school in the south.
She says that a colored woman of her ac-
quaintance bought a ring of a jeweler for
a present to her husband and said to the
jeweler:

"I give him my put my husband's
'initials on dat ring."

"What are they?"

"Dem 'initials is R. S., em."

"May I ask what his name is?" said the
jeweler, who fancied he remembered the
pair, and had an idea that their name did
not begin with "S."

"His name is Arthur Estabrook, boss,"
answered the woman.

The worst of the matter was that the
wife would not be convinced that "A"
and "K" had anything to do with her
husband's name. The jeweler finally told
her with bluntness that she could have
any letters she liked, and Mr. Estabrook
is undoubtedly now proudly wearing a
ring marked "R. S."—Yonkers Compa-
nion.

Diet and Disposition.

Some authorities hold to the idea that a
child's disposition is largely governed by
his diet, citing the gentleness of the ro-
asting raven against the quarrelsome
of meat eating children in proof. While this
may or may not be true, it is certain that
wholesome food tends to produce a whole-
some temperament.

"Pork and pie," says an old doctor, "are
as pernicious as original sin," which is
pragmatically a little bit of blunt philosophy.
—New York Times.

Unselfish.

She—You know you would be just as
happy if you didn't kiss me.

He—But do you suppose I am selfish
enough to think only of myself?—Rebu-
both Sunday Herald.

"The Ship of the Desert."

We are told that there is only one quad-
ruped in the world that cannot swim—viz.,
the camel. When it falls into the water it
turns over feet upward and is drowned.

—Famille.

A variety of the thistle grows in Russia
to such a size that it shades the huts of
the peasantry. The thistle growers are said to
be nearly six inches across.

Stowed ale shops are among the hum-
blest eating houses of London.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts,
Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever
Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains,
Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and pos-
itively cures Piles, or no pay required. It
is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction
or money refunded. Price 25 cents per
box. For sale by Burlington and Darby
Drug Store.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. O'Connell, Druggist, Bouver-
ville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Dis-
covery I owe my life. Was taken with
La Grippe and tried all the physicians for
miles about, but of no avail and was given
up and told I could not live. Having Dr.
King's New Discovery in my store

